



# THE MAKING OF AN AMERICAN IDOL

AMERICAN IDOLS – PART 2



# The Rock Star Syndrome

*"Our age has produced a new kind of eminence. This is as characteristic of our culture and our century as was the divinity of Greek gods in the 6<sup>th</sup> century BC... This new kind of eminence is "celebrity." The hero is made by folklore, sacred texts and history books, but the celebrity is the creature of gossip, of magazines, newspapers, and the ephemeral images of movie and television screen... Anyone can become a celebrity if only he can get into the news and stay there." Daniel Boorstin*

## WHY ARE WE SO FASCINATED BY CELEBRITIES?

### 1. OUR LONGING FOR \_\_\_\_\_

*"And the LORD God said, 'It is not good that man should be alone'" Genesis 2:18*

*"Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God" Ephesians 2:19*

### 2. OUR LONGING FOR \_\_\_\_\_

*"Why would Chas Welch, 31, of Atlanta, frame a napkin from Prince's 1996 wedding, which is printed*

*with the mysterious symbol the rock star was using as his name? "It's a connection to the person that no one else can have," Welch says. "That's what motivates collectors – they want that feeling that they're the most important person in the world." " USA Today article*

*"In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him." 1 John 4:9*

*"But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people" 1 Peter 2:9*

### **3. OUR LONGING FOR \_\_\_\_\_**

*"He has put eternity in their hearts, except that no one can find out the work that God does from beginning to end" Ecclesiastes 3:11*

*"To them God willed to make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles: which is Christ in you, the hope of glory." Col. 1:27*

*"Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is." 1 John 3:2*

# THE SOLUTION IS IN RELATIONSHIP WITH \_\_\_\_\_

## God solves my need for FELLOWSHIP.

*"...you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ." 1 John 1:3*

## God solves my need for SIGNIFICANCE.

*"For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made." Psalm 139:13-14*

*"For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works" Ephesians 2:10*

## God solves my need for GLORY.

*"Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man the things which God has prepared for those who love Him." 1 Corinthians 2:9*

*"And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth." John 1:14*